

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the Benton County, Raven Road Bridge Replacement, Bridge No. 34400221, BRO-B008(013) (hereinafter "Project") will be received by the Benton County Clerk, 316 Van Buren, Warsaw, Missouri 65355, until 9:30 a.m. local time, on Monday, September 28, 2015, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Scope of Work includes removal and replacement of Bridge No. 34400221 on Raven Road within Benton County, Missouri with a 30' single span cast in place concrete box culvert. Associated road work, consisting of placing fill to construct roadway embankment, new surfacing and various roadway items are included in the project. Benton County anticipates issuing notice to proceed in the fall of 2015.

Bid packages are available and may be obtained from the Fenton office of Cochran located at 737 Rudder Road, Fenton, MO 63026 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per set. Make checks payable to Cochran. For directions, please call 314-842-4033. To obtain a bid package, the bidder must provide all contact information requested on the Plan Holders List. To receive the bid package via mail, contact Mike Spalding at (314) 842-4033, ext. 4115.

A bid security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid amount must accompany each bid, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

For a contractor to be awarded this project the contractor must have a fully responsive contractor questionnaire on file with the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission at least 7 days prior to the bid opening date. No Second Tier Subcontracting will be allowed.

The wage rates applicable to this project have been predetermined as required by law and are set forth in this specification. When Federal wage rates are applicable and included, this contract is subject to the "Work Hours Act of 1962", (P.L. 87-581: 76 Stat. 357) and implementing regulations. When state and federal wage rates are both required the higher of the two for each job classification shall be used.

Effective January 1, 2009 and pursuant to RSMo 285.530 (1), No business entity or employer shall knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien to perform work within the state of Missouri. The successful bidder must submit a sworn affidavit and documentation affirming the business entity's enrollment and participation in the federal work authorization program and that all of its employees working for the contracted services are not illegal immigrants.

Upon signing the contract, the successful contractor and any subcontractor performing the work shall provide a ten-hour Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) construction safety program for their on-site employees.

Benton County, Missouri hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, creed, sex, age, ancestry, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The DBE Contract Goal for this project is 10%, and DBE firms must be certified by MoDOT to attain credit towards this contract goal. There is no On the Job Trainee goal is.

THE OWNER INTENDS TO AWARD THE CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST, RESPONSIVE, RESPONSIBLE BIDDER. THE OWNER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS, AND TO WAIVE ANY IRREGULARITIES IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE OWNER WITH MODOT'S CONSENT.